WE ARE INVITING FUTURE COMMUNITY LEADERS TO ATTEND OUR ANNUAL YOUTH LEADERSHIP FORUM FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

July 16th – July 21st, 2017 AT IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY, AMES IOWA

Check us out online:

https://humanrights.iowa.gov/cas/pd/youth-leadership-forum

- Approximately 40 high school sophomores, juniors and seniors with disabilities will be selected to attend.
- Youth Leadership Forum for Students with Disabilities will pay for the following appropriate expenses:
 - \Rightarrow lodging
 - \Rightarrow food
 - ⇒ accommodations for student delegates to attend including but not limited to: interpreters, alternative format materials, personal care attendants
 - ⇒ scholarships based on need to defray travel expenses to the forum can be provided
- Exciting, fun, educational five-day leadership training program includes: tour of the State Capitol, meeting with community leaders with disabilities, and hearing from speakers on a variety of topics.



APPLICATION FORM

DEADLINE FOR POSTMARK ON MAILED APPLICATION: <u>February 1, 2017</u>. (please call with questions)

- ✓ Complete ALL information on pages 1 through 4 of this application.
- ✓ Please type or print with black ink.
- ✓ Mail the application to the address on the last page (page 4).
- ✓ Please see Pages 5-6 for additional application information.

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Applicant's Last Name	First	Middle
2. Male Female		
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Parent/Guardian Last Name	First	MI
4.		
Street Address		
City	State	ZIP

5. E-mail Address:				
Parents email				
Student's Email:				
6	/	7	el on December 31, 2015	
6/		Grade Level on December 31, 2015		
8Name of High School				
9. School Mailing Address	City	State	ZIP	
10(Area Code) School Telephone	Number			
11. Birth date:	Date Gra	aduation expected:		
12. In your own words, describe you delegates with a diversity of dis	sabilities and match with	h appropriate mentors.)		
13. Race/Ethnicity: Native Americ White (non-Hispanic)Ot		slackHispanic		
14. <u>Information for Iowa Vocatio</u> (IDB)	onal Rehabilitation Ser	vices (IVRS), or Iowa	Department for the Blin	
Are you on the waiting list for some are currently a client of the please print your counselor's national statement of the please print your c	he Iowa Vocational Rel			
IVRS/IDB Counselor's N	ame:			

15. <u>School and Community Involvement</u>

Briefly tell us about your involvement with your school and community (since 9th grade). This may include any offices you have held, club memberships, after school activities or work experiences. Include the length of involvement, your grade level at the time of participation, and the name of an adult with whom you worked.

16. Tell us a little about yourself:

Your responses to the four topics listed below will be used to assess your eligibility to participate in this leadership forum. You may respond by writing your answers on paper, using email, recording your answers on tape, you may videotape yourself, or come up with other mediums to answer the four topics. Send your responses along with your completed application packet.

- (a) Qualifications Explain why you are qualified to be a delegate to this forum and why you want to attend.
- **(b) Positive Influences** In terms of leadership, please tell us about two people who have positively influenced your life. Why? (Families, teachers, counselors, friends, or public officials are appropriate examples.)
- (c) Experiences as a Person with a Disability Describe two important experiences you have had as a young person with a disability. (Please be specific about your examples as they relate to your disability).
- (d) Future Plans Describe your goals for the future.

17. T-Shirt Size (unise :	x adult)- circle one:				
Small	Medium	Large	XL	XXL	XXXL
Signature of Student			Date		
If selected, my child has	s permission to partic	ipate in the Yout	h Leadership F	orum for Stude	ents with Disabilities
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Signature of Parent/Gua	rdian		Date		

If you would like to have this application packet in an alternate format, please contact (888) 219-0471.

Thank you for completing this application. Please **mail it to the address below**. If you have any questions, please contact:

Iowa Office of Persons with Disabilities Attn: YLF Committee
Lucas State Office Building
Des Moines, Iowa 50319
(888) 219-0471 (V/TTY)
https://humanrights.iowa.gov/cas/dhr.disabilities@iowa.gov

(KEEP THIS PAGE! DO NOT MAIL BACK WITH APPLICATION)

HOW STUDENT DELEGATES WILL BE SELECTED AND APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS FOR STUDENTS

- 1. To be eligible for the Youth Leadership Forum, students must:
 - (a) Have a disability (as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act);
 - (b) Be in the 10th, 11th or 12th grade as of December 31, 2016 (although exceptions can be made for 5th year seniors);
- 2. Student applicants must mail the completed application packet to the Iowa Commission of Persons with Disabilities office—postmarked no later than **February 1, 2017.**
- 3. Semi-finalists will be selected and contacted by telephone to arrange a personal interview. Interviews will take place in March, 2017.
- 4. All applicants will be notified by letter whether they are selected to attend the forum. (Letters will be mailed by the end of April, 2017.) Approximately 40 students will be selected to attend.
- 5. After being selected, students will be asked to fill out a confirmation form and provide additional information.
- 6. All appropriate expenses will be paid by the Youth Leadership Forum management, including such expenses as lodging, food, accommodations to attend and participate, and scholarships for travel expenses when needed.

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